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Miss Stevetta Green with her outdoor VBS Class.



Rev. Douglas Wasson conducting vespers beside the lake.



Georgia Family Camp: Rev. W. C. Carpenter, dean, presenting camp awards.



Miss Jacklyn Blake teaching class on Southeast Asia.



Miss Audrey Stoughton telling group about U. C. Y. M.

# Deering Community Center

By Dixon Stimpson

Deering is a town of scarcely 350 all-year residents. With no post office or business section, it is not even a tiny dot on most highway maps of New Hampshire. Yet along our Congregational way it is, indeed, a most famous stopping place — or, more correctly, starting place. Since 1931 Deering Community Center has been a place of revelation, renewal and fellowship for a succession of young people, laymen and ministers.

Dr. Eleanor A. Campbell, a physician and member of the Judson Memorial Church in New York City, visited the beautiful hilly woodland in 1922, and when her daughter, Elizabeth Milbank Ashford, died in 1930, this devoted woman thought of some memorial to be located in this area where she and her daughter had spent so many happy weeks. The Center is the fruition of the imagination, devotion and generosity of this inspired woman who still makes her summer home at Homestead Farm in Deering.

Deering Community Center was incorporated in 1931 with most of the board of trustees from among the ministers and religious workers who summered there.

It soon became apparent that, in terms of a long future, it would be wise to place the responsibility for the program in the hands of some official and con-

tinuing body. As a result of the fine relationship with certain Congregational ministers and secretaries, Dr. Campbell asked her board to deed the property to our denomination. The Center now has 1600 acres, including frontage on Lake Piscataquog.

This summer each student had his individual cabin. At 7:00 a. m. the rising bell was sounded. After a substantial breakfast, Matins began at 8:15 with students conducting the worship.

Forty-five-minute classes started at 8:30 and continued until noon. After a hearty luncheon, students listened to two successive sermons by other students. Each took his turn at preaching and all joined in the general criticism which had but one rule: nothing good could be said of the sermon; all faults must be noted!

After the sermons and criticisms, all retired to the library, study cabin or their own 'quarters' for two hours of concentrated study. Then volley ball, soft, ball, swimming or hiking was the order until the dinner bell called the students and faculty members to the heavy-laden tables. At 7:45 some student led vespers. The 8:00 Assembly concluded the organized portion of the busy day. The theological discussions, informal and often quite learned, continued well into the night for many of the students.

The faculty of the school represented some of the best thinkers in their respective fields. Dr. Roger Shinn, former head of the Department of Philosophy and Religion of Heidelberg College and

presently at Vanderbilt Divinity School, analyzed a variety of Christian and non-Christian philosophies in an attempt to discover Christianity's distinctive conception of history and the few constant themes running through it from Biblical times to the present. He was exceptionally effective in presenting the viewpoints of Barth, Kirkegaard, Niebuhr, Kant and other more modern theologians and philosophers.

Dr. B. Davie Napier, former chaplain and chairman of the department of religion of the University of Georgia and now associate professor of the Old Testament of Yale Divinity School, lectured on the essential unity underlying the mixed strands of Old Testament thought and belief.

Dr. Brown Barr, Associate Professor of Preaching, Yale Divinity School, conducted the class on sermon-making. Dr. Barr stressed the importance of writing and rewriting every sermon in order to express the purpose clearly and interestingly and avoid cliches and over-used words, phrases and sentences.

Dr. Robert Spike, Director of Department of Evangelism of the Board of Home Missions, lectured on worship and the Liturgy of the Word and the Liturgy of the Upper Room. The central aim of worship is the lifting of the soul of man into the presence of Almighty God, that God may be glorified and the soul made holier by love, both given and received. Dr. Spike encouraged the students to give more thought to the order of worship and to the various aids to worship, including the symbolism of the table, the offering and certain actions pertaining to the proper conduct of worship. He warned against the over-exaltation of the minister and the sermon.

Dr. Wesley A. Hotchkiss, director of Town and Country Department of the Board of Home Missions, led a class in the problems of regionalism and the culture peculiar to each type of community. He pointed out the need for each church to study itself and its community in respect to the age brackets of its members, its location and the possibilities for growth and community influence.

The evening assembly periods were used for lectures by missionaries, speakers from Union Theological Seminary



DR. TRUMAN B. DOUGLAS, CHEF EXTRAORDINARY!

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### General Council Moderator

George B. Hastings, an attorney of Grant, Nebraska, was elected Moderator of the General Council of the Congregational Christian Churches — the highest elective office of the denomination.

Mr. Hastings has been an active member of the Grant Congregational Church for 50 years. He is also a director of the Board of Home Missions and chairman of the American Missionary Association.

He graduated from Crete Academy, Crete, Nebraska, and Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio. He received his law degree from Harvard Law School in 1916.

Mr. Hastings has served as county attorney of Perkins County and city attorney of Grant. He was president of the Nebraska State Bar Association and the Southwest Nebraska Bar Association. Currently he is a member of the Supreme Court Advisory Committee and the Appellate Grievance Committee.

After serving two terms as State Senator, Mr. Hastings was named a member of the Nebraska State Fish, Game and Forestation Commission and remained five years on that body.

Mr. Hastings is a member of the Board of Trustees of Doane College, Dillard University, and Talladega College.



### General Council Ministers

Dr. Douglas Horton (left), who served the General Council as its minister and secretary for 18 years and who resigned last July to become the Dean of Harvard Divinity School, is shown congratulating his successor, Dr. Fred Hoskins. Dr. Hoskins is a graduate of Illinois College and the Divinity School of Yale University. He leaves the pastorate of First Congregational Christian Church of Oak Park, Illinois, to become the minister and secretary of the denomination.

Dr. Hoskins is the co-editor of "A

Book of Worship for Free Churches", which is widely used among Congregational Christian and other free churches in America.

Within his denomination, Dr. Hoskins is an associate member of the Council for Social Action and a corporate member of both the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions and of the Board of Home Missions. He is a former Moderator of the Connecticut Conference. Dr. Hoskins is chairman of the Board of Trustees of Illinois College, and vice-chairman of the Board of Directors of Chicago Theological Seminary.

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## Watch For New Magazine

Beginning in October, the Missions Council will publish a new magazine entitled *Mission Today*, which will take the place of both *Facts from the Field* and the *Envelope Series*. It will be issued six times a year, every other month.

The aim of the magazine will be to keep *Our Christian World Mission* alive in every one of our churches, and to enlist the wholehearted support of all our members for the mission program.

The publication will be directed particularly to ministers and others in the local churches and conferences who are concerned with stewardship and missionary education. It will include facts, personal interest stories and interpretation of our mission work at home and abroad, as well as program plans and ideas, news about materials that are available and promotional projects that have proved successful.

Three copies of *Mission Today* will be mailed to all ministers, and additional copies may be requested. If you are an association or conference chairman of Stewardship or Missionary Education, or a local church chairman, do send a card to the Missions Council, 14 Beacon St., Boston 8, Mass., and ask them to put your name on the mailing list.

— Pauline C. Gates, editor

## GRASS ROOTS CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Student Summer Service program, under the direction of the Rev. Annie R. Campbell, is over for this year, and our five workers are back in their various schools and colleges: Millard Fuller, Steveta Green, Audrey Stoughton, Geraldine Beckham and Phoebe Pemberton. The latter two worked part-time as assistants as they were needed.

From the churches where they taught their vacation Bible schools, we have had letters from pastors and church clerks telling about the success of the school and saying how much the young people were liked and appreciated and what wonderful work they did.

This is especially gratifying to the Convention office and staff, because the young people who serve through the Student Summer Service program could make two to three times as much money doing other kinds of work — and in most cases they really need the money to help with their college training. But they chose to serve the churches of the Southeast Convention instead. Also, in any other kind of job they would have had a 40-hour, five-day week. SSS workers have a seven-day week, and their hours depend upon what extra things in the way of PF organization or recreation that the church wants them to do while there. They teach five days a week, travel on to the next school, meet with the pastor and those who will assist with the teaching and plan the school which begins the next day, usually. We sometimes wonder how they have time for the washing and ironing, packing and unpacking, and the making out of voluminous reports they must send in to the Convention office. Too, they must be constantly shopping to replace materials for handicrafts used as they go from school to school.

They taught a total of 17 schools, served as counselors at three camps, and did much work with the young people towards Pilgrim Fellowship organization and program.

Our hats are off to our "disciples in dungarees", and our heartfelt thanks for a summer of work and fun and inspiration in the churches of the Southeast Convention.

M. G. A.



John Keith Benton

#### *In Memoriam*

The many former students and friends of Dr. John Keith Benton were saddened to hear of his recent death. He was a theologian, gentleman and scholar, and on him all three looked good. His pastorate was made up of ministers, since he trained young men for the ministry in the Vanderbilt Divinity School.

Dr. Benton was always most cooperative in making it possible for his staff personnel to share in our convocations and conferences. He was very much interested in the work of the Congregational Christian churches within the area, and has been a good friend of Congregational Christian students who have attended Vanderbilt through the years.

He served for many years on the Board of Directors of the old Atlanta Seminary Foundation and, since its reorganization, as the Congregational Christian Foundation of the Divinity School at Vanderbilt. Under his leadership the Divinity School has initiated a long-range plan of expansion and development and recently become a member of the newly created C. C. Council of Theological Schools.

# The Superintendent's Page

## Warren Hathaway Denison

1870 - 1956

### *In Memoriam*

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith".

II Timothy 4:7

On August 27 Dr. Warren H. Denison passed away suddenly and unexpectedly at his home in Grinnell, Iowa. To his host of friends in the Southeast Convention, as well as those across the country, this is indeed a great personal loss. Many of us have had the privilege of knowing Dr. Denison well; through the years he has been in our area on numerous occasions. He has been the guest speaker at our Annual meeting. He conducted a course on Christian Stewardship at our Minister's Convocation May 3-7, 1954, and has attended many Association and Conference meetings. At several of our churches he conducted an Every Member Canvass, the last one being at East Tallassee Liberty this past May 20-26.

Occasionally Dr. Denison would write special messages to those working in Christian Stewardship. I would like to quote extensively from one he wrote this summer:

#### **Guiding People in Their Giving**

"What shall I give? Of course we cannot tell anyone how much he should give, but we cannot stop there; we are under obligation to create an atmosphere in which one shall more nearly come to a Christian decision. It is easy to hand him a card of percentages as a secular approach. Such a commercial approach, to my mind, does not meet our stewardship responsibility for a spiritual challenge. It may be an easy way, but not a stewardship way to produce real givers. Let it be remembered that those to whom we go are Christians, church members. They have consciences and want to do right; they are intelligent and have good judgment; they have a sense of duty to God, family, others; but cares, business, other responsibilities have rather covered these up with the dust and dirt of time. To me there seems our high privilege to bring them a spiritual appeal to a high stewardship plane—such as thinking anew what the Church means to

them, their family, community, world, its ministry, worship, training, etc.; such as, that the Church primarily spells the difference between heathenism and a Christian civilization; that too, we are stewards, in partnership with God, accountable; also that the scriptures teach from first to last that our giving is a religious act, a matter of worship and that it is to be as the 'Lord prospered us'.

#### **Christian Tithing**

"There is an increasing emphasis on tithing, and rightly so, for it has been under-emphasized. From various sources it appears to be stressed as a money-raising method. Of course if most of our people would tithe there would be no lack of funds to meet the needs for Christian work; but to me that is not at all the purpose of the tithe, and as teachers of Christian Stewardship, if I am correct, we shall need to watch the emphasis carefully or it may become a legalistic, financial matter. My study and understanding is that the tithe was established from the very beginning for a far more noble purpose than raising money, important as that is. Through the tithe idea God was asserting his sovereignty and ownership over all possessions and by tithing, then man acknowledges that ownership and sovereignty, and this was a principle, a law from the beginning, not something for some period of time, some particular nation, some class, group, fi-



nancial condition. It was not an Old Testament vs. New Testament matter. It was the same as setting aside one day out of seven as sacred and holy, thus acknowledging God's sovereignty over our time. Tithing and the Sabbath were neither Mosaic or Jewish only. They were for their ancestors, for them, for us and those coming after us.

"In the material world Newton, Edison, Orville Wright and others did not originate the laws of gravity, electricity, airplane. They were from the beginning. These merely formulated the laws. Just so, my understanding is that tithing is a spiritual law, like the natural laws above, under which you and I must live, work and teach, are eternal laws and not for a time or a particular nation. Thus tithing is a wonderful spiritual law which a few are beginning to appreciate. If they are not understood, we neglect them or disobey them and suffer accordingly."

#### **Memorial Fund**

A Memorial Fund has been established in Dr. Denison's memory. He had many interests, but three were particularly dear to his heart and the family has selected three Congregational Christian projects to which gifts may be sent:

1) **Defiance College**, one of his "first loves" and where he has been a member of the Board of Trustees since 1910.

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## Rev. Wasson Named Head Of Southern Union College

The Rev. Douglas Wasson has been named acting president of the Southern Union College at Wadley, Ala., according to the Rev. Joe A. French, chairman of the Board of Trustees.

The young administrator came to Southern Union in September 1955 as professor of history and director of public relations. His work in the latter field expanded so rapidly that in February, 1956, he was appointed full-time director of admissions and public relations. He will serve in his present capacity until further action is taken by the Board at its annual meeting next spring. Wasson succeeds the Rev. Clyde C. Flannery, who resigned August 1 to accept the pastorate of the Brookmeade Congregational Christian Church in Nashville, Tenn.

Mr. Wasson is from Velva, North Dakota. He received his secondary training in North Dakota, with a brief interim in Connecticut. At the age of 16 he had completed his high school and was licensed minister of the Methodist Church, serving as pastor of three rural churches near the Canadian border.

Working his way through college, he attended Jamestown College, Jamestown, North Dakota, in 1944-45 and at the same time was elected head of the youth organization of the Methodist church for the state. He went on to the State Normal and Industrial College at Ellendale, graduating from the junior college division in 1946. He was also assistant pastor of the Ellendale church. He had to interrupt his educational career for two years because of finances and served the interim as minister of the First Methodist Church, Plankinton,

South Dakota, where he was also a volunteer chaplain at the State Training School. During this same period, he was elected to a two-year term as chairman of the youth section of the National Council of the Methodist Youth Fellowship.

Mr. Wasson enrolled at Adelbert College of Western Reserve University in 1948 and received a B. A. degree in 1950. He graduated from Oberlin School of Theology with a B. D. degree, and was selected by the faculty as the winner of the Thomas Graham Award in Homiletics. During his graduate training at Oberlin, he served several churches.

Since leaving seminary, Mr. Wasson has served as assistant to the superintendent of the Pittman Community Center, near Gatlinburg, Tenn. Both in 1955 and 1956 he has been a member of the team for the Christian Ministry in the National Parks, a project of the National Council of Churches.

Active and interested in public affairs, Mr. Wasson has been increasingly sought for speaking engagements in high schools, service clubs and religious groups in Alabama and Georgia. He is chairman of the youth committee of the Council of the Southern Mountains, Inc.; a member of the American College Public Relations Association; a member of the Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers; a divisional officer in Kiwanis International and a member of the Wadley Congregational Christian Church.

The young college official, celebrating his 29th birthday this August, will be united in marriage to Miss Jean Legg of Cullman, Ala., early in 1957.

## Langdale Minister

The Rev. Carroll W. Lewis has been very busy indeed since his arrival on June 10, when he assumed the pastorate at Langdale. He came to Alabama from Georgetown, Ill.

Mr. Lewis graduated from Greenville College, Greenville, Ill., with an A. D. degree in 1953. He attended Butler School of Theology in Indianapolis, Ind., and has done pastoral work in Illinois for the past eight years.

Mr. Lewis' family consists of his wife, Elinor, and two children — Nancy, aged seven, and Kathy, aged four.

## People And Places . . .

The Rev. Charles Bell and his family have moved to Roanoke, Ala., to serve the Lowell Church.

The Rev. Raymond Berry has resigned his pastorate at Andalusia Antioch Church, as of October 18.

The Rev. Leroy McClendon has resigned the pastorate of Mt. Creek Union Church.

The Rev. W. C. Carpenter has resigned the pastorate of Douglas First Church effective in October.

The Rev. R. Henry Abbott has accepted a call to Tallassee Mt. Olive Church.

## National Youth Council

The National Youth Council of the Evangelical and Reformed Church, held Aug. 19 - 24 in Salisbury, North Carolina, was a rich and rewarding experience. Meeting at beautiful Catawba College, this fourth national meeting of the youth of the E. & R. Church proved to be a particularly interesting experience to the fraternal delegates from the Congregational Christian Churches. It gave us an opportunity to see, firsthand, what the youth fellowship was doing; and, furthermore, what they proposed to do in the future. We observed —and we liked what we saw.

Of the many things about National Youth Council which are outstanding and impressive, the one single aspect that stood out most in my mind was the free-flowing fountain of inspiration.

As a note of comparison between the PF and the YC national councils, I noticed a great deal of similarity in intent and purpose of the meetings, with a basic difference in procedure. The National Youth Council attempted to formulate policy and program from the ground up. This was accomplished by devoting the first two days of the Council to a review of the past two years and to practical experience in various areas of concern. Then in the days following, discussion was the order of the program, with everyone getting in on the show. The PF, on the other hand, devoted a greater part of its program to speakers, panels and presentations of one type or another by various groups. In so doing, the National PF delegate was somewhat more of an observer than an actual participant — although each delegate had the opportunity of speaking to any motion.

There were other minor differences, but basically we, the Pilgrim Fellowship and the Youth Council, are already one. We have identical statements of purpose, and the same three commissions: faith, action and fellowship.

Indeed, I look forward to the day when we shall finally and formally be joined, in unity, to the New Day that is in Christ Jesus.

—Millard Fuller, SEC representative  
to the E. & R. Youth Council



## Pilgrim Fellowship



The Pilgrim Fellowship officers and commission chairmen of the Southeast Convention met in Central Church, Atlanta, Sept. 1-2 for a planning session.

Pictured above, front row, left to right: Ben Cooper, treasurer; Albert Van Cleave, president; Sandra Ellerbee, chairman of Faith Commission. Back row, left to right: Jean Vincent, Fellowship chairman; Frank Little, Action chairman; V. R. Dobson, vice-president; Patsy Yancey, recording secretary; and Bill Green, corresponding secretary.

Millard Fuller, past president, was also present for the meeting in an advisory capacity.

Each commission chairman had held a meeting of his commission previous to this meeting, to draw up the year's program. These programs were submitted, discussed and approved and will be mimeographed by the Convention office and distributed later in the year.

Also on the order of business were tentative plans for the Convention-wide PF meeting next spring. A committee from Central Church, including Dr. Thos. Anderson, the pastor, met with the group, since the 1957 meeting will be held in Atlanta Central Church in March. The exact date will be announced later.

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The Faith Commission, Sandra Ellerbee chairman, met during the Georgia Family Conference at Waycross for discussion, and again in Atlanta on Aug. 28, with Sandra, James Hodnett of Chipley and Martha Starrett of Atlanta present. We are sorry we have no picture of this committee at this time.

Since the church was without a pastor on that Sunday, the young people and the Rev. Miss Annie R. Campbell

were asked to tell about the work of the young people, instead of the usual morning service.

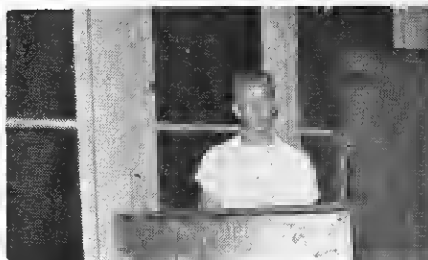
### WADLEY DISTRICT RALLY The Wadley District Pilgrim Fellow-



Fellowship Commission: Jean Vincent, chairman, met at Thorsby, Ala., on Aug. 5. Shown are (left to right) Carolyn French of Lanett, Roscoe Maddox, Gloria Blair of Alexander City, and Mrs. Maddox. Jean Vincent of Garden City and Wayne Graves from Andalusia were present for the meeting but left before the picture. Mr. and Mrs. Maddox prepared dinner for the committee.



Action Commission: Frank Little, chairman, met at Soddy, Tenn., Aug. 11: (Left to right) Frank Little of Pleasant Hill, Martha Wood of Soddy, Mrs. Little, Carey Brown and Ann Kampmeier from Chattanooga and Betty Cunningham of Pleasant Hill.



Johnny Van Cleave reporting on National Pilgrim Fellowship meeting at Crete, Neb., at the Georgia Family Camp.

ship met at Beulah Church in Wadley on July 29, with 46 present.

The Beulah PF began the rally with a cordial welcome, the Roanoke Lowell PF had the devotional, and the Rev. W. Raymond Berry preached the sermon.

A fellowship hour was led by V. R. Dobson of Lanett, and V. R. gave a report from the National Council PF meeting in Doane, Nebraska.

Refreshments were served by the Beulah PF, and Alexander City Hunt PF gave the closing worship service.

The rally was honored with the presence of the Work Campers from Southern Union College.

—Gloria Blair, reporter

### CENTRAL ALABAMA DISTRICT RALLY

The Pilgrim Fellowship of Central Alabama District held its rally Aug. 26 at East Tallassee Liberty Church. The purpose of the meeting was to install officers. After the business session, the Rev. Herbert Long conducted a communion service.

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The PF of East Tallassee Liberty Church had as their project in August "Operation Memeograph". They did odd jobs, earning \$31.50 towards the purchase of a much needed mimeograph machine for the church. The Woman's Fellowship plans to raise the remainder of the funds needed.

We entertained the young people of Mount Olive Church on Aug. 22 with a soft-ball game and refreshments, having a lot of fun and fellowship together.

—Phoebe Pemberton, reporter

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One of the goals for the SEC Pilgrim Fellowship is contributions to the Building Fund of Southern Union College. Andalusia First PF contributed the first \$40 (1,000th of the cost of the new dormitory) on Aug. 6. Mrs. O. C. Graves, Mrs. Scott Morris Jr., Homer Linzey, and J. C. Harris Jr. are sponsors.

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Stories and pictures of the organizational meeting of the Central Georgia District PF, held Sept. 9 at Crest Hebron Church; the District Rally at Langdale Sept. 9; and the District Rally at Chattanooga Sept. 15-16 will appear in the October issue.

We are indebted to Miss Campbell, the Minister of Christian Education, again for all the good pictures in this issue.

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CHURCHES		MINISTERS		MEMBERS		Admitted		Removed			Average Attendance	Church School Membership	Young People's Organizations	OUR CHRISTIAN WORLD MISSION				Other Gifts	Local Finances		
Cities or Towns	Org.	Names	Ord. Chd.	Total	Ab.	C.	Total	D.	L.	Total				Gifts on Announcements			Church Building Loan Fund		Home Exp.	Value Church Property	
ALABAMA CONFERENCE																					
Central Alabama																					
★ 1	Clanton, East View	1919	yN. A. Long	'19-'56	26	4								0	0	0	11	0	283	1,000	
★ 2	East Tallapoosa, Liberty	1890	D. H. Long	'54-'53	135	11	5	9	0	2	2	105	190	35	446	148	594	320	220	5,526 x	*11,500
★ 3	Eclectic Union	1896	yA. D. Ballard	'52-'54	37	13								3	1	4	21	15	250	2,000	
★ 4	" Watson Chap.	1892	yA. Nelson, Lic.	'54	65	23	0	12	1	0	1		25	0	16	4	20	63	0	645	4,000
★ 5	Mountain Creek, Union	1891	L. R. McClendon, Lay.	'55	50	10	0	2	0	0	0	60	50	15	23	17	40	120	28	815 x	5,000
★ 6	Semau, Balm of Gilead	1896	yA. D. Ballard	'52-'53	25	12	0	0	1	0	1		26		27	9	36	40	50	361 x	3,000
★ 7	" Com.	1933	yA. Nelson, Lic.	'55	47	5	1	2	1	0	1		50	15	20	7	27	102	45	720	2,500
★ 8	Tallapoosa, Mt. Olive	1890	T. H. Shreve, Lic.	'54	117	67	3	4	1	9	14	55	54	13	32	11	43	200	0	2,850	*12,600
★ 9	Thorsby, United	1905	yN. A. Long	'19-'55	35	5	0	2	0	5	31	28	36	15	202	68	270	189	10	3,036	*16,500
East Alabama																					
★ 10	Alexander City, Antioch	1852	F. P. Ensminger	'05-'42	9	7	2	3	0	2	2		0	0	0	0	10	0	113	1,200	
★ 11	" Hunt Mem.	1945	L. Hubbard	'54-'54	85	9	9	27	1	2	11		82	36	71	24	98	369	25	3,200 x	*18,000
★ 12	Ashland, Bethel	1892	yW. A. Martin	'52-'54	64	13							40	10	0	0	0	0	0	825	8,000
★ 13	Cragford, Mt. Carmel	1891			32	12							41	0	0	0	0	0	0	665	1,000
★ 14	Dadeville, Elder	1895			93	51							45	10	58	20	78	75	5	706	17,500
★ 15	Daviston, a	1890	J. Taylor	'16-'48	57	32								0	0	0	0	0	0	205	2,000
★ 16	Delta, Wesley's Chap.	1896	yD. M. Craft, Lic.	'53	63	35							18	0	14	4	18	0	0	560	3,000
★ 17	Five Points, State Line	1852	yB. A. Manley, Lic.	'53	62	19	2	4	2	2	17	25	35	0	68	22	90	0	0	634 x	4,000
★ 18	Goodwater, Oak Hill	1880	yW. A. Martin	'52-'54	34	0							19	0	0	0	0	0	0	575	1,000
★ 19	LaFayette, Pleasant Grove	1886	yC. W. Bell	'51-'51	119	41	2	3	1	2	3		56	0	63	21	84	0	0	1,370	25,000
★ 20	LaGrange, Hillside, Ga.	1921	R. L. Chatham	'52-'47	126	0	12	26	0	6	6		144		112	33	150	0	500	3,500	20,000
★ 21	Lanett	1896	J. A. French	'28-'49	406	15	14	22	0	7	7		237	40	811	249	1,060	177	442	7,668	*163,000
★ 22	" Huguley Hwy.	1944	A. C. Nelson	'30-'53	105	2	4	13	2	3	20		75	10	68	22	90	50	137	3,363 x	*25,250
★ 23	Langdale	1930	B. P. Pardy	'39-'55	283	20	10	15	4	15	34		190	18	624	208	832	435	366	6,767 x	*52,000
★ 24	Lineville, Dingle's Chap.	1911	yD. M. Craft, Lic.	'53	47	14							34		4	2	6	0	0	460	3,500
★ 25	" New Harmony	1888	yG. R. Walker	'41-'55	31	0	0	0	1	1	2		0	0	46	15	61	0	0	307	2,000
★ 26	" Shady Grove	1913	yD. M. Craft, Lic.	'53	131	11							14		16	5	21	0	0	730	1,500
★ 27	" Spring Hill	1916	yD. M. Craft, Lic.	'53	50	9							45	0	31	9	40	58	0	283	1,500
★ 28	Phenix City, United	1929	J. B. Crutcher	'54-'55	157	8	11	20	0	4	4	103	119	62	338	112	450	965	264	8,000 x	*65,000
★ 29	Pisgah	1920	(Inactive)		25	5							0	0	0	0	0	0	0		8,000
★ 30	Roanoke, Ist	1923	yO. E. Sheppard	'39-'51	78	20	3	4	2	0	2	40	57	0	236	79	315	300	0	3,049	9,000
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a McGuire's Chap.																					
★ 31	Roanoke, Antioch	1869	yC. W. Bell	'51-'51	104	39	0	0	1	3	8		35	17	130	43	173	134	11	1,439 x	10,000
★ 32	" Bethany	1896	yB. A. Manley, Lic.	'53	50	14	0	0	1	1	2		34	0	29	9	38	74	156	909	3,000
★ 33	" Forest Home	1893	yO. E. Sheppard	'39-'47	152	0							5	0	45	15	60	76	0	200	3,000
★ 34	" Lowell	1900	D. W. Clark	'52-'53	144	15	2	2	1	0	1		107	22	49	16	65	200	45	2,689	*20,000
★ 35	" Mt. Zion	1893	A. Osborne, Lic.	'55	108	55							47	0	11	4	15	0	0	405	2,500
★ 36	" New Hope	1849	yO. E. Sheppard	'39-'55	61	0	2	6	5	3	22		20	0	52	18	70	80	160	735	7,500
★ 37	" Rock Springs	1884	yG. R. Walker	'41-'55	88	30	0	3	1	8	15		0	0	38	12	50	60	0	454	3,000
★ 38	" Rock Stand	1908	yJ. W. Roberts, Lic.	'55	94	40	3	3	1	3	4	42	69	18	64	22	86	0	30	1,254 x	10,000
★ 39	Shawmut, Todd	1950	D. J. Ross, r	'55-'55	77	24	4	9	0	2	13	35	64	9	0	0	0	264	0	1,920 x	35,000
★ 40	Wadley	1911	A. R. VanCleave	'32-'52	61	20	0	5	0	3	3		0	0	319	156	475	200	8	755 x	6,000
★ 41	" Beulah	1890	yJ. W. Roberts, Lic.	'54	30	0	4	6	2	2	4	40	38	10	45	15	60	108	50	1,485 x	6,000
★ 42	" Corinth	1893	yJ. W. Roberts, Lic.	'55	82	0							40	0	0	0	0	0	0	371	5,000
★ 43	Wedowee, Caver's Grove	1924	yJ. W. Roberts, Lic.	'55	70	26							30	0	0	0	0	0	0	500	5,000
★ 44	" Noon Day	1898	yG. R. Walker	'41-'54	118	66	0	0	3	4	7		45	0	19	6	25	72	0	796	7,000
★ 45	West Point, Bethel, Ga.	1948	W. M. McCullars, Lic.	'55	74	3	3	7	1	6	7	50	65	5	75	25	100	0	0	1,743 x	13,268
North Alabama																					
★ 46	Arley, Robertsm's Chap.	1900	yR. M. Waugh	'51-'55	25	0	0	0	0	0	62		40	0	20	7	27	15	0	111	2,000
★ 47	Birmingham, Pilgrim	1903			215	26	1	12	0	13	13	102	135	8	515	200	715	2,400	200	19,050 x	*90,000
★ 48	Garden City	1918	yC. Seymour	'44-'56	42	4	2	4	0	2	2	25	46	17	139	46	185	50	45	1,133 x	*9,500
★ 49	Hackleburg, Fairview	1891	yE. T. Shelton	'52-'55	62	44	0	0	0	5	5	40	47	0	22	8	30	0	0	300	3,000
★ 50	Haleyville, Union Grove	1891	yE. T. Shelton	'52-'55	20	9	0	1	2	0	12		24	0	20	6	26	0	5	350 x	5,000
★ 51	Houston, Liberty Hill	1879	yE. T. Shelton	'52-'53	10	0	0	0	0	0	0		10		18	6	24	20	0	177	2,000
★ 52	Moulton, Bethlehem	1940	G. L. Colbert, t	'42-'55	18	0	2	2	1	1	20	40	40	35	8	2	10	12	50	220	2,500
★ 53	" Jones Chap.	1896	yR. M. Waugh	'51-'52	20	10	0	0	0	0	0		21	0	12	4	16	36	0	168	2,500
★ 54	Steele, Mt. Lebanon	1905	E. H. Smith	'46-'46	138	25	3	4	2	0	2	75	100	0	2	0	2	50	100	620 x	10,000
★ 55	Steppville, Mt. Grove, a	1891	yC. Seymour	'44-'56	83	10	2	2	1	9	10		40		58	19	77	120	6	1,351	5,000
★ 56	Town Creek, Liberty	1891	yR. M. Waugh	'51-'55	35	0	0	7	0	0	0	30	35	0	0	0	0	20	20	155	1,500
★ 57	Trinity, Caddo Friendship	1903	yE. T. Shelton	'52-'54	41	14	0	3	2	0	3		65	45	25	8	33	50	15	280	2,500
South Alabama-Northern Florida																					
★ 58	Andalusia, Antioch	1873	W. R. Berry	'55-'54	100	3	7	12	1	0	1	62	76	14	191	64	255	0	25	4,285	*32,000
★ 59	" Coldwater	1925	(Part time supply)		125	7									0	0	0	80	0	425	6,000
★ 60	" Ist	1843	J. S. Morris, Jr., t	'43-'55	96	14	0	2	0	8	8		78	23	65	21	86	273	67	3,448	26,000
★ 61	" New Home	1894	(Part time supply)		125	9									0	0	0	0	0	324	2,500
★ 62	Brantley, b	1919	yM. O. Worley	'41-'54	48	7	4	5	0	0	0	50	31	0	18	5	23	0	0	1,070	*9,000
★ 63	" Liberty	1887	yM. O. Worley	'41-'54	32	6	0	0	0	1	3		21	0	27	9	36	0	0	1,013	*9,000
★ 64	Clio, New Hope	1891	yE. V. Hand	'52-'55	46	13	1	2	1	0	6	30	42	15	60	20	80	0	10	830	9,000
★ 65	Headland, Blackwood	1892	yE. V. Hand	'52-'55	117	30	6	15	0	4	10		95	25	110	36	146	252	10	1,859	*10,000
★ 66	Midland City, d	1893	yE. V. Hand	'52-'55	22	15	0	0	1	2	8		0	0	20	7	27	32	0	590	2,000
Florida																					
★ 67	Baker, Good Hope	1922	yR. D. Worley	'50-'54	78	22	1	1	0	9	1		51	0	90	30	120	46	0	827	5,500
★ 68	Baker, Pyron's Chap.	1897	P. M. Griffith	'12-'53	49	0	3	7	1	1	3	60		12	90	30	120	20	120	660	2,



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★ 69	Bonifay, New Effort	1888	W. R. D. Worley	'50-'54	52	10	4	4	2	2	12	—	49	20	130	43	173	0	5	1,070	5,000
★ 70	Crestview, Doreas	1892	W. R. D. Worley	'50-'54	63	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	60	20	90	30	120	75	0	1,284	x *11,000
Georgia-South Carolina																					
★ 71	Ambrose	1912	W. A. Blankenhorn, Lic.	'55	41	0	7	9	0	1	9	—	35	15	45	15	60	0	25	639	x *11,000
★ 72	Atlanta, Center	1880	M. B. Porter, Jr.	'27-'54	61	0	0	0	0	0	0	—	46	14	163	55	218	0	3	4,554	26,000
★ 73	" Central	1882	T. Anderson	'17-'44	636	22	21	51	3	32	35	—	159	58	1,747	582	2,329	2,010	354	28,583	x 425,000
★ 74	Barnesville, Fredonia	1853	W. E. Isbell	'30-'53	85	14	2	4	0	1	25	60	55	0	90	30	120	384	30	1,350	x *27,000
★ 75	Baxley, Friendship	1887	R. N. Overstreet, Lic.	'55	76	12	0	1	2	3	5	—	86	—	154	51	205	20	0	2,094	x 7,500
★ 76	Bowman, Liberty	1878	(Part time supply)		66	0	3	3	3	3	26	50	40	—	19	6	25	0	35	835	7,000
★ 77	Braselton, Macedonia	1888	(Part time supply)		171	40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	20	4	24	0	0	832	5,000
★ 78	Bristol, Antioch	1897	C. W. Rowland	'27-'54	56	38	1	6	0	4	4	25	—	—	22	7	29	0	0	545	6,500
★ 79	Buford, Duncan's Creek	1855	W. R. H. Lasseter	'52-'55	91	0	0	0	8	1	9	50	70	—	25	8	33	0	0	1,184	4,000
★ 80	Chipley, Oak Grove	1899	H. C. Weaver	'48-'54	116	15	2	12	2	2	4	—	75	20	200	70	270	218	60	4,799	x *24,000
★ 81	Columbus, 1st	1903	(P. Doherty)	'38-'51	88	9	17	21	1	7	20	—	97	15	111	37	148	100	200	4,400	x *25,000
			M. E. Doherty, Asst.	'50-'55																	
★ 82	" United	1909	W. S. Wood	'53-'52	1123	19	—	—	—	—	—	—	106	12	37	13	50	350	0	1,680	64,000
★ 83	Crest, Hebron	1889	B. J. Traylor, Lic.	'53	49	25	0	3	0	3	4	—	50	12	72	24	96	0	45	3,216	10,000
★ 84	Demorest, Fed.	1892	G. E. Chambers, Meth.	'46-'53	61	18	0	2	0	0	0	—	32	0	427	570	997	413	33	2,022	20,000
★ 85	Doerun, New Light	1904	S. M. Penn	'13-'56	118	6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	60	0	350	2,000
★ 86	" Poplar Arbor	1910	C. Leverett, Lic.	'55	154	23	—	—	—	—	—	—	31	13	0	0	0	24	0	300	6,500
★ 87	Douglas, 1st	1950	W. C. Carpenter	'23-'50	69	0	16	20	0	4	4	46	180	0	25	8	33	60	10	3,102	x 10,500
★ 88	Enigma, Chr.	1908	R. H. Abbott	'52-'51	43	7	0	0	0	9	—	—	64	0	42	14	56	70	90	670	7,000
★ 89	Ft. Valley, 1st	1845	W. P. Pike	'32-'55	53	0	0	2	0	5	5	38	35	0	0	0	0	0	0	1,305	9,000
★ 90	" Society Hill	1932	A. W. Dorsey, Lic.	'38-'53	110	60	—	—	—	—	—	—	53	0	33	11	44	0	0	500	6,500
★ 91	Gaillard, Pleasant Hill	1883	J. E. Cook	'38-'48	51	18	9	9	0	0	2	—	0	0	7	2	9	0	0	590	3,000
★ 92	Hampton, County Line	1888	J. E. Cook	'43-'50	67	8	0	0	0	1	3	—	58	18	46	16	62	0	0	730	6,000
★ 93	LaGrange, United	1853	J. E. Pickens, Jr.	'52-'52	250	34	14	26	1	12	13	—	151	25	241	81	322	50	57	7,630	x *81,850
★ 94	Meansville, Cong.	1854	T. Isbell	'36-'53	14	5	0	0	1	0	1	—	0	0	26	9	35	0	0	470	8,000
★ 95	" Liberty	1892	(Inactive)	'36-'53	12	10	0	0	1	1	2	—	0	0	0	0	0	20	0	150	1,200
★ 96	Oxford, Sardis	1888	W. R. H. Lasseter	'52-'55	97	60	17	17	1	7	8	35	46	40	54	18	72	0	25	1,331	x 6,000
★ 97	Pearson, Union Hill	1892	D. Stimpson, Lic.	'55	114	65	0	1	9	12	—	—	60	20	144	48	192	260	0	2,820	*17,500
★ 98	Richland, 1st	1901	S. M. Penn	'13-'53	31	6	0	2	0	0	0	25	30	0	45	15	60	59	103	890	*14,000
★ 99	" Providence Chap.	1846	S. M. Penn	'13-'53	34	6	0	0	1	1	2	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	390	*5,000
★ 100	The Rock, Bethany	1886	G. J. Ellerbee	'38-'48	29	12	0	0	2	0	2	—	0	0	55	19	74	44	10	319	2,200
★ 101	Tifton, 1st	1852	A. C. Bedford	'45-'56	43	2	14	33	0	4	11	41	46	18	40	13	53	0	0	4,800	50,000
★ 102	" Vanceville	1818	B. E. Knight	'42-'55	81	20	0	4	0	18	23	—	84	10	80	27	107	120	173	1,440	10,000
★ 103	Waycross, Williams Chap.	1891	W. W. Elder	'15-'52	135	6	7	27	1	4	5	—	50	—	23	7	30	100	0	1,608	x 6,000
★ 104	Woodbury, Jones Chap.	1854	A. B. Bedford, i	'17-'51	204	4	0	42	4	14	18	135	172	10	649	216	865	500	195	11,655	x 180,000
★ 105	Charleston, Circular, S. C.	1881																			

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KENTUCKY-TENNESSEE CONFERENCE																						
Kentucky																						
★106 Corbin, Pilgrim	1886	(Part time supply)		36	6	0	0	2	0	2	15	—	—	105	35	140	120	0	1,343	*12,900		
★107 Everts, 1st	1892			77	17	4	5	2	5	7	41	46	16	292	98	390	336	173	5,322	x *100,000		
★108 Stearns, Com.	1918	G. S. Hunt	'28-'44	47	0	3	5	0	1	1	30	30	0	0	0	0	300	0	2,905	35,000		
Tennessee																						
★109 Chattanooga, Pilgrim	1914	A. Slater, i	'32-'44	350	28	6	30	2	6	19	142	213	34	1,753	584	2,337	2,432	260	14,169	*142,000		
★110 Crossville, 1st	1888	A. Nightingale	'13-'24	71	15	4	9	1	0	39	—	35	25	314	129	443	200	352	2,432	15,000		
★111 Daisy, 1st	1929	yL. A. Smoot	'50-'54	77	9	3	5	1	1	2	—	101	12	116	39	155	544	250	2,700	*35,000		
★112 Deer Lodge	1887	y(Part time supply)		112	0	—	—	—	—	—	—	63	52	12	4	16	40	0	1,210	2,000		
★113 Glen Mary, Com.	1929	y(Part time supply)		8	1	0	0	0	0	2	—	48	0	27	9	36	58	1	1,207	2,500		
★114 Memphis, 1st	1863	{ M. Wingfield J. R. Held, Asst.	'12-'37 '55-'55	1177	29	—	—	—	—	—	—	65	—	550	172	722	1,108	0	7,106	*103,000		
★115 Nashville, Brookmeade	1953	E. Tison, Meth. a	'55	37	4	5	5	0	0	0	30	26	0	35	12	47	200	0	4,800	50,000		
★116 Pleasant Hill, Com.	1885	{ P. R. Reynolds, i H. Henderson, Lic., Asso.	'18-'54 '55	77	0	4	9	2	3	52	68	78	38	398	690	1,088	825	715	3,903	x *25,000		
★117 Robbins, Barton Chap.	1885	y(Part time supply)		20	0	3	3	2	0	2	35	41	45	71	24	95	150	0	3,104	x *25,000		
★118 Soddy, 1st	1873	yL. A. Smoot	'50-'54	86	12	0	5	3	1	4	—	39	12	112	38	150	400	5	2,495	x *35,000		
Membership of dropped ch.:										15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0				
Gifts — church undesignated:														1,031	523	1,554	237	74				
Totals:						9,519	1,881	296	665	93	294	813	50	6,566	1,163	15,546	6,420	21,966	20,341	6,349	267,617	2,590,968

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a Interim pastor

CHURCHES DROPPED: (1) Haleyville, Rock Springs.  
CHURCHES: 118. Served by pastors: 104 (installed 5; recognized 1; other Cong. Chr. 74; other denom. 2; licentiates 21; unclassified, 1). Part time supplies 10. Inactive churches 2. Vacant churches 2. No. pastors serving 70.  
MINISTERS IN FULL STANDING: 105 (pastors 57; others 48).  
NO. OF CHURCHES REPORTING: Av. Ch. Attendance 40; Ch. School 97; Y.P. Org. 53; Home Expenses 93; New Buildings and Improvements 64 (amount \$96,648); Payment on Principal of Bldg. Debts 15 (amount \$17,025); Church Property 118; Debts 3 (amount \$9,994); Invested Funds 2 (amount \$140,594); Parsonage 34.  
NO. OF CHURCHES CONTRIBUTING TO APPORTIONMENT AND OTHER BENEVO-

LENCES: 99 (amount \$48,656); On apportionment 99 (State Conf. 99; National Boards 98). Church Bldg. Loan Fund 78. Other Gifts 99.  
SALARIES: No. churches and yoked fields reporting 34 (amount \$122,442). Part time supplies 20 (amount \$20,460). Pastoral Units 54. Average Salary for regular service \$3,600.  
LEGACIES: No. 105. \$1,000.  
YOKED CHURCHES: Nos. 1-9; 3-6; 4-7; 12-18; 16-24-26-27; 17-32; 19-31; 25-37-44; 30-33-36; 38-41-42-43; 46-53-56; 48-55; 49-50-51-57; 62-63; 64-65-66; 67-69-70; 74-84; 79-96; 85-98-99; 88-102; 91-100; 111-112; 112-113-117.

## GEORGIA-SOUTH CAROLINA WOMAN'S RETREAT

Miss Jacklyn Blake was the featured speaker at the Woman's Retreat of the Georgia-South Carolina Woman's Fellowship, held at Laura Walker Camp near Waycross, Ga., Aug. 23-24. Miss Blake's parents are co-principals of a girls' school in Turkey, and Jacklyn was born there. She is entering Oberlin College for study this fall.

Jacklyn told many interesting things about the life and customs of Turkey, showing a number of beautiful hand-woven articles of apparel and unusual pieces of Turkish jewelry. And the slides shown following the banquet made the women feel they had paid a visit to the Near East.

Informative and inspirational messages were presented by the Rev. Douglas Wasson, Acting President of Southern Union College; Rev. W. A. Blankenhorn, Rev. Peter Doherty and Rev. W. C. Carpenter.

Mrs. Gordon gave her impressions of the General Council meeting held at Omaha, Nebraska, last June. She was a delegate to the General Council from the Southeast Convention. Miss Audrey Stoughton of Minnesota, camp counselor and Student Summer Service worker, was also at Omaha. She explained to the women the function of the United Student Fellowship which serves young people of college age beyond Pilgrim Fellowship.

Two missionary skits taken from packet materials were presented.

The women of Waycross served a delicious banquet Thursday evening. The table was made festive with southeast Asia place mats showing the many everyday products we use that are pro-

duced by the peoples of southeast Asia.

During the business sessions, it was voted to change the Constitution to enable the fellowship to follow the national pattern by having standing committees for the six areas of concern. Chairmen appointed were as follows: Stewardship and Woman's Gift, Mrs. E. P. Wildes of Waycross; Evangelism and Spiritual Life, Mrs. Dixon Stimpson of Pearson; Christian Education and Family Life, Mrs. Oswald Vickers of Ambrose; Missionary Education, Miss Bernice R. Peace of Columbus; Christian Social Action, Mrs. Frank Simmons of Atlanta; Friendly Service, Mrs. E. T. Alsaker of Atlanta.

The place and time of next year's meeting was discussed, and it was recommended that a central location be selected, since only four of the 22 women attending came from outside the south Georgia area.

Mrs. Gordon announced her resignation as president, as she and Mr. Gordon will be moving to Tucson, Arizona, this fall. The vice-president, Mrs. H. Y. Sears of Pearson, will assume the duties of president until the conference meets in 1957.

Although the attendance was smaller than desired, the spirit of fellowship could not be surpassed.

### Evangelism And Spiritual Life

THAT GOOD PART (Luke 10:38-42)

The story of Mary and Martha has always been a favorite with women. Since our Sunday School days, we have loved to ponder the old questions: What would we have done? Which would we have been? Now in our everyday world, company for supper means one thing to most of us. A visiting preacher can be mighty hungry. But still, how many of us have fixed the biscuits and cut up the chicken with one ear strained to the good talk going on in the parlor?

While under such circumstances we are unable to escape the yoke of Martha, there are other times when we should be following the example of Mary. Take a familiar instance — our Women's Fellowship meetings, far too much taken up with the housekeeping of the church. Our Woman's Gift is a

great leveler among the crying needs of our missionary effort all around the world, and in addition most of our groups finance local projects and literally maintain order and beauty in the church itself. All of this is important and our thoughts focus around our material accomplishments, but is it the one thing needful? Are we neglecting that good part which supports and sustains all else? What is the real purpose of our Women's Fellowship? I feel that our Fellowship should exist primarily to help each woman to grow spiritually. True, we grow spiritually through missionary education and through social action. But behind these things we need Bible study and shared devotional experience. The emphasis at our meetings is primarily business rather than the search for God which is our reason for being. We all know that our lives directly reflect our nearness to His presence. Whether we are close to Him or far away is clearly revealed for all to see. Is it not the same with our Women's Fellowship? If we succeed or fail, if we go forward and accomplish, if we fulfill our purpose, is it not in the same measure by which we give God the central place in our fellowship? We must believe that the power and love of God are greater than all the forces which tend to reduce our days to a ceaseless muddle of things to be done.

The devotional part of our program must be given first place. Too often this is skipped over or slighted by women who have little recourse to reference books and are shy about putting forth their own views and experiences. As Congregational Christians we are firmly committed to the belief that all truth is not yet known. In some churches God is thought to reveal himself only to bishops or only to men, but we are thankful to know that if we knock, it shall be opened even unto us.

Let us remember also that where two or three are gathered together in His name, there He will be in the midst. Let us, with God's help, never forget that He is at our missionary meetings, and let us devote our time and our energies to becoming better acquainted with Him.

—Eleanor M. Stimpson, chairman  
Devotional Life Committee of the  
Georgia-South Carolina Women's  
Fellowship



WOMAN'S FELLOWSHIP BANQUET

## Warren Denison . . .

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This college in Defiance, Ohio, faces many pressing immediate needs.

2) **Mayflower Home**, Grinnell, Iowa, a retirement home for older Congregational Christians. It is located next to Dr. Denison's apartment in Grinnell.

3) **Yankton College**, Yankton, S. D., of which Dr. Denison's son-in-law is president, is now launching its expansion program.

Gifts designated to the Denison Memorial Fund may be sent to the Congregational Christian Conference of Iowa, 923 Seventh Ave., Grinnell, Iowa, where they will be divided among the three projects, unless otherwise designated. Or gifts may be sent direct to any one of the three institutions.

Again, I would like to quote Dr. Denison's own words — from his Christmas letter to his friends:

"On the 6th of this December (1955) I will have been preaching 64 years; and on December 13th I shall have been ordained to the gospel ministry 59 years. I have had the high privilege of working in the churches of our fellowship in 43 states. Among my highest joys is that of visiting in so many hundreds of our homes, humble and elaborate, counseling with our young ministers, sharing their problems and their successes. One of my high honors has been to see some of our fine men give themselves to the teaching of real Christian stewardship in our fellowship. I fought for seven years to avoid the Christian ministry, and now I would like to say to my young friends, if I had a dozen lives to live over, I'd give them to the Christian ministry and its allied work. My! it is great to live and work with and for Him."

We mourn the loss of one of our truly great men, but are most thankful for his glorious life, his peaceful passing and the rich heritage in Christian stewardship which he leaves to us all.

Erston M. Butterfield

The toll of death on the roads is the concern of many nations. During a Courtesy Week the following was quoted in a talk by the South African Broadcasting Corporation:

### The Motorist's Prayer

Grant me a steady hand and watchful eye

That no man shall be hurt when I pass by,

Thou gavest life, and I pray no act of

## Denominational Year Book

In this issue of the **Southeast News** we are reproducing the four pages of statistics on churches of the Southeast Convention as they appear in the denominational Year Book. If it is found that this is helpful, we can do it each year.

Please look over the figures for YOUR church. If there are two little straight marks in front of the "total membership" figures, it means that we did not receive from the church the denominational report blank mailed out last December. (24 churches are so marked) In some cases we have had to use the same figures over and over for several years. It is the duty of the minister and church clerk to fill in the Year Book report blank each year so that we may have, for all of us, including the national officials, a clear picture of progress made during the year.

The Pilgrim Fellowship officers tell me that they have many more PF groups listed than we show in the Year Book figures. Please make a special effort this coming December to list each PF group in your church with its membership. The young people deserve to be included in this national denominational report.

We need to know, too, the number in Sunday School; and the adult groups, such as women's missionary societies, laymen's fellowship, and Bible study groups. Often this is left blank.

You may think, "These are just figures, and not important". But the figures stand for something that is most important — the progress of your church. The Congregational Christian denomination is compared with other denominations on the basis of these figures.

This December, when you receive the usual letter and Year Book report blank, PLEASE make a special effort to fill in all the blank spaces. If you don't know the answers, ask those who

mine

May take away or mar that gift of Thine.

Shelter those, dear Lord, who bear me company,

From the evils of fire and all calamity. Teach me to use my car for others' need, Nor even miss through love of speed

The beauties of Thy world; that thus I may

With joy and courtesy go on my way.

## Georgia Family Camp

The Rev. W. C. Carpenter, dean, declared that this year's summer camp was the "best ever". He was high in praise for all the counselors, and singled out the Misses Audrey Stoughton, Steveta Green and Jackie Blake for special commendation.

The camp business manager, Rev. Edward Knight, had to overcome many obstacles in preparing for the camp. He had to borrow chairs, get a piano, run extension cords, etc., to make the camp serviceable and comfortable. How well he did his work was attested by the complete lack of complaints.

The camp had representation from 15 churches — five from Central Georgia, eight from South Georgia, and two Alabama churches were represented by counselors and staff. About 60 campers were present.

The Rev. Warren Blankenhorn, assistant dean, made handsome trophies for presentation to the two outstanding campers — a boy and a girl. Campers were judged by the point system on cooperation and interest. Winners were as follows: Walter Bazemore and Shirley Bass. Connie Stimpson and Christiane Moseley were second and third for the girls; James Hodnett and Billy Long for the boys. Honorable mention went to Helen Day, Sandra Hodnett, Laura McLaughlin, John Vickers, Terry Joe Lasseter and Claud Thompson.

Student Council officers were elected as follows: John Vickers, Margie Bell and James Hodnett.

The camp chaplain, the Rev. Douglas Wasson (acting president of Southern Union College, conducted exceptionally fine chapel and vesper services, inspiring to every camper regardless of age. His absorbing stories required each listener to think intelligently and arrive at his own conclusion and held the attention of all.

Let's try to have 100% reports this year, so we will have complete figures and statistics and show progress we can view with pride when the next Year Book is printed.

The Year Book is sent to all active ministers free. Any church clerk may have one by sending a card to the Year Book Dept., 287 Fourth Avenue, New York 10, New York. The charge is \$1.00. You will find much helpful information in the book.

M. G. A.

# Churches With Histories

## MOUNTAIN CREEK UNION

Many years ago when this community was young, probably in the 1870's, there were three religious bodies here: the Congregational, the Methodist, and the Baptist.

There stands the frame-work of an old, decayed church today over in the Lake settlement which brings to memory the old Ruhamia Methodist Church. At that time there was no Congregational Church building.

There were so few Methodists that finally they no longer held regular church services and abandoned their church; but Methodists and Congregationalists both felt the need of regular services and, with the help of three preachers, they worked together in the founding of a new church. These preachers were the Reverends Cas Culver and Doc Wells, Congregationalists; and the Rev. Wingard, Methodist.

In all probability, these two religious groups decided to unite and form an independent church—hence it was known as a "Congregational - Methodist Church". We have reason to believe that is how the name "Union" came to be applied.

In 1882 Mr. and Mrs. Jim Lake deeded to the Union Church an acre of land for the erection of a building. A frame building was put there and it is generally supposed that later pastors were Reverends Culver, Millstead and Heath. Records show that in 1901 the church ceased to be an independent Congregational-Methodist Church by entering the Congregational Christian denomination.

By this time the community had grown so that the church was no longer centrally located. So, by the untiring efforts of Mr. Jack Johnson and the Rev. Archie Heath, pastor at that time, the church was moved to its present site. The land on which it stands was deeded to the church by Mr. and Mrs. Jack Johnson and the dedication sermon was preached the first Sunday in October, 1904, by the Rev. John Crounser from Calera. There were 70 members on the roll.

At this point in the church's history it is appropriate to mention something of the faithful efforts of a Godly man, Mr. Jack Johnson, who constantly

stood by the church. He was an ordained deacon and the Sunday School Superintendent for 40 years. Not only was he a spiritual pillar of the church, but the financial backer. The memory of Uncle Jack Johnson will live long in this church and community.

Soon after the church was established on its present site, an organ was purchased and the first organist was Miss Fannie Bell Headly. Mr. Sam Headly was song director. Some of the members disapproved of the organ for quite a while.

Some of the pews and the stand in the pulpit were moved from the old church, the stand being the original one of the old Ruhamia Methodist Church.

Pastors through the years have been the Reverends Jesse Butler, A. J. Holman, J. C. Hunt, N. A. Long, J. E. Coch, George Watson, Marion Dopson, Calvin Nelson, J. I. Barker, Luther Ballou, M. L. Thrasher, Coburn, Collie Seymour, M. D. Morgan, M. O. Worley, and Otto Culpepper.

Our present pastor, the Rev. Leroy McClendon, is a young man who started out in the ministry about one year ago. He is a student at Southern Union College.

When the Congregationalists merged with the Christian denomination, the full legal name of the church became "the Union Congregational Christian Church." It is known, however, in the association and Convention as "the Mt. Creek Union Church".

Two Sunday School rooms were added to the church in 1924. A recreation hall for use in church activities is almost completed. Mr. and Mrs. Edd Esco deeded to the church this year the acre of ground on which this building stands.

The first Homecoming service was held the fifth Sunday in July, 1954, and it was then decided to make this an annual event. So far, the revival has been held the following week each year, and every Homecoming Day gets bigger and better.

—Mrs. Gary Johnson

## WEDOWEE NOON DAY

In a progressive community called New Hope, some 5 miles east of Wedowee, Ala., is a friendly little church named Noon Day. This church was organized at an old dwelling near the beautiful home of Rev. Wallace Reaves on July 26, 1899, according to the records. There were some 12, or near that

number, as charter members. If I remember correctly (from information handed down by my mother and father) the Rev. Dock Elder organized this church. Services were held in the New Hope school building until a church could be erected. At the present time two of the charter members are still living. One is Mrs. J. F. French, mother of the Rev. Joe A. French of Lanett.

At least four fine young men, and perhaps others, who were members of this church answered the call to preach, and two of these are sons of one of the still living charter members. All of these men are doing full time work in churches away from here, and have been called back at least one time each to hold a revival in this church — with one exception — the Rev. J. F. French, who was pastor of Noon Day at the time of his death.

Not only have preachers gone out from this church, but very soon a daughter of one of the Deacons will leave for another country to do missionary work.

Now many good things could be said of many other small rural churches — and this is not to discredit them, but to use Noon Day as an example of the good influence and character building of a small country church.

—By Mrs. J. W. Dewberry, written for *The Randolph Press* and reprinted

## Church News

The **Headland Parish**, consisting of three churches — Blackwood, Clio and Christian Hill — is making good progress under the leadership of the Rev. Earl Hand.

During the past year about 30 new members have been received into the Blackwood Church, and there is a good outlook for the future.

Max Long, of the Christian Hill community, has dedicated his life to the ministry and is planning to attend the Convocation and Training School for Ministers this fall.

—Rev. Earl Hand, pastor

The summer activities of the **East Tallassee Liberty Church** have ended, and we are making plans for a great year ahead.

During the summer we held a Vacation Bible School with the theme "Crusade for Christ". With Mrs. G. F. Logan as director and an able staff of

teachers the school, held May 27-June 1, was the best we've ever had. Enrollment was 96 with an average attendance of 78. Those who served as teachers were: Kindergarten — Mrs. Herbert Long, Mrs. Rudolph Taunton, Mrs. Charles Cullan, Mrs. Howard Griggs and Mrs. Robert Scroggins; Primary — Mrs. J. W. Sayers, Miss Betty Sue Blakely, Bobby J. Pemberton; Junior — Mrs. Floyd Carmack, Mrs. Willie Stalnaker, Miss Phoebe Pemberton; Young People — Mrs. Marrell Rhodes and Miss Jerry Beckham.

The closing exercises were held at the Sunday School hour of 9:45 a. m. the following Sunday.

Preceding the school, the church participated in the city-wide VBS parade held on May 18 and sponsored by the Tallassee Ministerial Alliance. Our pastor, the Rev. Herbert Long, is vice-president of the Alliance. We had a school queen, Miss Deanna Cullan, who rode on one of the floats along with her court and represented Queen of the Court in the "Crusade for Christ". Approximately 16 churches with 800 children participated in the parade, which ended at our church, where cold drinks were served to all through the courtesy of the Ministerial Alliance.

Dr. Warren H. Denison conducted an Every Member Canvass for our building fund campaign the week of May 20-26. This was a wonderful experience for our church congregation — one that we probably will not experience again. Pledges were received over a three-year period for the building fund. The laymen of the church conducted the canvass, after a week of instruction and planning under the able and inspired leadership of Dr. Denison.

The young people of the church held their annual three-day camp at Lake Martin June 8-10. Mrs. Marrell Rhodes served as director, along with the Rev. and Mrs. Herbert Long, Miss Willa Durden, and Mrs. Miriam Fralic, adult advisors.

The Woman's Fellowship climaxed its year with the annual summer picnic, held at Blue Creek Inn on Lake Martin Aug. 10. The men were guests of the ladies for this event.

The Layman's Fellowship was host to the East Alabama-West Georgia Laymen's Fellowship for the quarterly meeting held on Aug. 25 at Carrville Community Building. The women of the

church served a delicious meal to the 60 men assembled for the meeting, the main purpose of which was election of officers for the coming year.

We are now looking forward to a new church year and a renewed effort to do the things we need so much to do in our community. We hope to begin our building soon in order that we may provide more space for our already over-crowded and expanding church, so that we may provide facilities for wholesome and spiritual growth. With the coming of winter, some arrangements must be made to provide space for the classes which have been meeting in the bus and outside.

Our annual revival services will be held the week of Sept. 23-28 with the Rev. Earl Hand as the evangelist.

— Church reporter

The Homecoming Services at Dadeville Elder Church on Sept. 2 were well attended, with the Rev. Donald Ross preaching the sermon.

A "mortgage burning" ceremony was held, with the Reverends Fred P. Ensminger, Donald Ross, Lynwood Hubbard and John Taylor participating.

An offering was taken during this service for the Church Builders' Club.

The Lanett Huguley Church is making progress — attendance has increased at all services, the Sunday School has grown to the extent that we must build additional space, and the church roll has been increased by 14 members.

We have installed four beautiful Me-

morial Stained Glass windows in the church, donated by families in memory of their departed loved ones. All the members are interested in making the church more beautiful, and we expect all the windows will soon be donated.

A study is being built for our pastor, the Rev. A. C. Nelson, as an addition to the parsonage.

We have been raising a building fund for an educational building. We have had 300 calendars printed with the picture of the church on front and all the birthdays of the church families printed inside. Advertisements were sold to business firms to pay for the printing.

There is an active Women's Fellowship which holds regular meetings and has well-planned programs. They have given a donation to the building fund. At the last meeting the following officers were elected to serve during the ensuing year: Mrs. Johnnie P. Ragland, president; Miss Gladys Brand, vice-president; Mrs. Buster Raye, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. Avery Brown, program chairman; Mrs. Ed Ferrell, social chairman; Mrs. S. G. Brand, contact woman; Mrs. Thelbert Brown, key woman; and Mrs. Eula Crenshaw, flower chairman.

—Mrs. Johnnie Ragland, reporter

The Langdate Church is being featured during the month of September on a Saturday radio program over the Lanett station from 9:30 until 10:00 a. m. The regular weekly program is sponsored by Lasley's Pharmacy. Several members of the congregation will be



LANETT HUGULEY CHURCH



## Church News . . . .

on the programs and the pastor, the Rev. Carroll W. Lewis, will preach.

On Sept. 18 the Congregational Christian churches of the Valley met at Langdale for the area meeting on Our Christian World Mission, as a part of the Every Church Canvass.

The Women's Fellowship of the East Alabama Association will meet at Langdale Church on Sept. 30, during the afternoon and evening.

September is Loyalty Month for the church, and Sept. 30 has been designated as Rally Day for the Sunday School.

Plans are being made to remodel the chancel, and a building fund has been recommended by the Finance Committee, with the estimated cost to be about \$500.

During July, the following young people attended the Alabama Young People's Camp at Southern Union College: Billy Sides, Emory Sledge, Randall Sims, Martha Lauderdale, Gladys Hearn, Jeanette Williams, Maxine Lauderdale and Peggy O'Neal.

Jimmy Lasley was one of 30 from the Valley who attended a special Boy Scout Explorer Camp in New Mexico. The camp lasted 21 days.

Patsy Yancey attended a Girl Scout Round-up near Pontiac, Mich., with 6,000 girls from all over the U. S.

The Sunday School class of Mrs. Grady Hearn enjoyed the day at Idle Hour Park in Phenix City on June 30.

The Senior Youth Class enjoyed a swimming party at the Shawmut pool on June 26.

—from monthly church newsletter,  
"The Caller"

Baker Good Hope was pleased to have with us again this year the Rev. Charles Bell of Wadley, Ala., as our guest preacher for the revival services.

A Daily Vacation Bible School was conducted the same week by members of our church and community.

Nine members were received into the church during the week. The new pews are finished, and all the old ones are now replaced.

—Ida Mae Gunter, reporter

A Memorial Service honoring the late Mrs. J. F. Hargrove was held at Robbins Barton Chapel on Aug. 5. The service was conducted by the Rev. George L. Day, Sale Creek, Tenn., and

the Rev. James W. Davenport, Soddy, Tenn., both former pastors of the church. The Rev. James H. Williams, pastor of the Baptist Church, assisted with the service.

The Robbins Baptist Church joined us for the service, assisting with the singing. Mrs. Stacy Adams, of Decatur, Ga., sang two solos. The service was attended by many relatives and friends. A luncheon was prepared and served in the parsonage by the ladies of the church for the twenty relatives and friends who came from a distance.

After a wedding trip which included many interesting points in Florida, the Rev. and Mrs. Henry Weaver returned to the parsonage at Barton Chapel. On Aug. 20 a fellowship supper was given in their honor and many nice gifts were received from friends in the community, and members of the Barton Chapel and Glen Mary churches.

The Pilgrim Fellowship of Barton Chapel enjoyed a picnic at Cove Lake State Park on Aug. 21.

Barton Chapel will be host to one of the area meetings in the Every Church Canvass on Sept. 26.

The Rev. William Schorman and his family, of Belmond, Iowa, a former pastor of the Robbins Parish, visited in the community and Mr. Schorman preached at Glen Mary and Barton Chapel churches on Aug. 19.

—Henry C. Weaver, pastor



Time out for discussion during Union Hill Revival. L to R: Berry Blankenborn, Thigpin, and pastor, Stimpson.

The new Worship Center of the Pearson Union Hill Church was completed in August, with the pastor, the Rev. Dixon Stimpson, working nights because of the heat. The front has three panels, for the Trinity, and the center panel has a Celtic cross with the attending circle of eternity—symbolizing the continuity of life victorious over the instrument of death.

Homecoming day was held Aug. 26, with a good attendance. Church reports were given on the past year's work and plans for the coming year announced.

The revival began the following Monday, with the Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Berry of Andalusia, Ala., as the guest preachers. An effort was made to acquaint the community with Congregationalism, as well as to bring members into the Christian fellowship.

During the meeting, crosses were presented by the pastor to the following: Oldest member present, Mrs. Molly Bazemore; youngest, Wayne James; coming the greatest distance, Mrs. Raymond Mixon of Miami; one with most generations present, Mrs. W. O. James, with four.

—from the church monthly newsletter

The Garden City Church was host to the Every Church Canvass area meeting on Sept. 18.

Both Garden City and Mt. Grove churches held their revival weeks in August, with a vacation Bible school at Mt. Grove each morning and preaching services each evening.

Mt. Grove congregation met Aug. 26 and voted to have an ice-cream supper on Sept. 8 to help pay for the new roof and heating system.

The Women's Fellowship of both churches hold regular meetings, and the Mt. Grove Men's Fellowship is active with regular meetings.

The Garden City Pilgrim Fellowship entertained the Mt. Grove young people and the E. & R. young people from Cullman on Aug. 2 at the American Legion Hall. Fun, fellowship and folk games were enjoyed with about 45 present.

The Rev. Collie Seymour, pastor of both churches, conducted a morning devotional program over radio station WFMH in Cullman on Aug. 21, 23, 25, sponsored by the Cullman County Ministerial Association.





Children at the Douglas Church Vacation Bible School giving their final program, after a church supper. Map in the background concerns Indian Americans. The children are sharing what they learned during the school with the parents and friends.

## Deering Community Center . . .

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at Columbia University, faculty teams and others. Parts of all classes and assemblies were used for general discussion. These animated discussions very often brought out additional facts and enlightenment, since many of the students were well qualified in their own right.

Such students as Clarence Kilde, who often writes for our denomination; Dr. Edwin J. Koch of the Evangelical and Reformed Church; and Antonio Rivera Rodriques of Puerto Rico, a former professor, and many others contributed much to the success of the classes and assemblies.

Students from the conventions and conferences east of the Mississippi, fraternal delegates from Australia, the Philippines, Puerto Rico and the west coast, and eight ministers from the E. and R. Church made up the student body. Each added his bit to the exceptional fellowship. Faculty, students and camp family were one unit. It was not unusual for a man of the standing of Dr. Truman B. Douglas, executive vice-president of the Board of Home Missions, to seat himself, eat and exchange opinions with one as humble as I. Each one of us enjoyed the same full respect that was given to the other.

In addition to the classes and the formal programs, students were taken by

chartered bus on a tour of the White Mountains. Many students climbed famous Mount Monadnock to enjoy the remarkable view from the top of the bare peak. A tour through the typical New England country churches was arranged, and each student had an opportunity to examine the beauty of Bullfinch-designed colonial churches and step into the famous wine glass pulpits.

Each Sunday evening Dr. Truman Douglas prepared an out-door picnic at Hilltop House and members of the entire Center were his guests. Dr. Douglas has some renown for his preparation of hot-dogs, hamburgers and other picnic fare.

An interesting fact noticed by everyone concerns the line-up of E. and R. and C. C.s on all matters where there was any difference of opinion. It always turned out to be about 50/50, with half the E. and R.s joining half the C. C.s, and the personnel of each group differed according to the issue. It was the accepted conclusion that no one could identify either denomination by its attitude on any matter, be it secular or religious. The wonder was that the two denominations had not united before!

The Center had no rules. Each student was there to learn and to be regenerated by the fellowship of others working in the cause of Christ. All knew the schedule, and cooperated in making the school a success. Classes and assemblies were never a chore. The tact, wit and general good humor of the instructors and their unquestioned qualifications to teach made everyone anxious to be on hand at or before the starting bell. The food was excellent, and the only complaint was the weight added to the student body (in the literal sense).

Each student became more learned and thoughtful and better prepared for his pastorate. Each student received direction and a sense of stability. All were renewed and inspired. No one could regret a moment of the three weeks. It was indeed a memorable experience.

## A TRUE CONGREGATIONALIST . . .

Rev. Peter Doherty tells of the guest minister who asked, "Is it compulsory to wear a robe in this church?"

Assured that it was not, he said, "In that case I'll wear mine."

## SOUTHERN UNION NEWS

Southern Union College is opening for the fall quarter with dormitory facilities for both men and women filled to capacity, and many students taking rooms in private homes in Wadley.

Several new programs are being introduced on campus, but the one causing most excitement is the return of football after nearly 25 years. Coach Earl J. Bentley is quite optimistic over his boys and a modified schedule of five games is being planned, opening about Oct. 10 with the Troy State "B" squad. Football practice began September 13.

According to the admissions office, the following Honor Scholarships have been awarded: James Hoyt Welch of Hackneyville, Ala., the son of Principal and Mrs. Hoyt Welch, given the Honor grant by vote of the high school faculty on the basis of character, leadership, scholarship and service. James Larry Newton of Greenville, Ala., is a double scholarship winner. He was selected by the Greenville school as winner of the SUC Honor Scholarship, and by Coach Earl Bentley to receive a basic Athletic Scholarship because of his superior record as a high school athlete. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Newton of Greenville. Miss Mary Helen Compton of Rutledge, Ala., was selected by the faculty of Luverne High School as SUC Honor Scholarship winner. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Compton and is an active member of the Indian Creek Congregational Christian Church. Miss Compton has also been granted a Work-Aid Scholarship valued at \$275.

Three DeKalb county boys have been awarded athletic scholarships to SUC. They are Jimmy L. Browder, Donald H. Cunningham, and Frank D. Smith, all of Fort Payne.

Staff and faculty members of Southern Union College held an "at home" for students, parents, alumni and friends on Sept. 16 in the social room at Kimball Hall.

A "Bison Boosters Club" has been organized by a group of East Alabama and West Georgia men in an effort to undergird the athletic program at SUC. Arthur G. Thompson is chairman, with Audley Bruner as vice chairman. Secretarial duties fall to J. P. Phillips and fund keeper will be Jesse T. Edge.

## Pilgrim Fellowship Work Camp



Kowaliga Beach: Fun and fellowship. All work and no play, you know, makes Jack a dull boy and Jill irritable.

I had a great time at the Pilgrim Fellowship Work Camp, held at Southern Union College July 22 through Aug. 4, and I am sure everyone else did too.

We worked up to six hours a day, but we had fun because we worked together. Some of the work we did was painting dormitory rooms and the recreation room, digging up an old, unused brick walkway and cleaning and stacking the bricks, excavating for a shower room, mowing and pitching hay, digging ditches, fertilizing plants, moving a car-load of cement, and laying a concrete walk.



Homer Jarvis of Alexander City and Emily Wells of Oak Ridge, Tenn., working on the excavation for the shower room.



Rev. Raymond Berry, director, conducting vespers at Kowaliga.

At least every other day we went visiting: the Clegg Manufacturing Co., the Gas Pumping Co., the Alexander City Outlook Publishing Co., and the colleges at Talladega and Tuskegee. We enjoyed seeing the modern buildings at Talladega, and found the Carver Museum at Tuskegee very interesting. Some of the group were especially interested in the project on cancer research in plants there.

We attended Sunday School and church at the Wadley Church, the Wadley District PF meeting at Beulah Church and visited the Hunt Memorial Church in Alexander City.

The visit of the four young people from the "Students in Industry" program sponsored by the American Friends Service Committee, brought both fun and information. This program has been held in Atlanta for the past several summers for college students.

The vesper programs we had every evening were very inspirational and enlightening. Our speakers included the Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Berry, Dr. Fred P. Ensminger, the Rev. Annie Campbell, the Rev. Lynwood Hubbard, the Rev. Carl Landes, Dr. A. R. Van Cleave, the Rev. Seymour (Methodist), and Miss Annie Maynot of Paris, France, who is the sister of Mrs. David Eddy. The campers led interesting discussions on subjects such as "Teen-age Problems", Segregation", and "Our



Rev. Carl Landes with Mrs. R. L. Moseley, Ann and Mr. Moseley of Atlanta. The Moseleys donated tile to SUC.

### Christian Beliefs".

The two-week work camp was sponsored by Southern Union College, the Southeast Convention P. F., and the Congregational Christian Service Committee. The Rev. and Mrs. Raymond Berry were directors, the Rev. Carl Landes was the work chairman. There were 15 campers: five from Alabama and ten from Tennessee. We only wish that more young people could have joined our group.

—Ann Kampmeier



Students in Industry: Lois Evans of Deputy, Ind.; Paul Niebanck of N. Y.; George Silver of Philadelphia, Pa.; and Mary Ellen Comstock of Mass.